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August 14, 2002

## Via Federal Express

Jonathan G. Katz Secretary Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549-0609 OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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Re:

El Paso Corporation Sworn Statements

Dear Mr. Katz:

Attached for filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission are the sworn statements of El Paso Corporation's Chief Executive Officer, Mr. William A. Wise and Chief Financial Officer, Mr. H. Brent Austin, as required by Commission Order 4-460, Order Requiring the Filing of Sworn Statement Pursuant to Section 21 (a) (1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and materials enclosed herewith by stamping the attached copy of this letter and returning it in the enclosed stamped self-addressed envelope. Your assistance in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Marif Modell

Attachments

## Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

## I, William A. Wise, state and attest that:

- (1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of El Paso Corporation, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:
  - no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
  - no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).
- (2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with El Paso Corporation's Audit Committee.
- (3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":
  - Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 of El Paso Corporation;
  - all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of El Paso Corporation filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and

any amendments to any of the foregoing.

William A. Wise

Principal Executive Officer

August 14, 2002

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Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of

August 2002.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

